

Categories on DCS Title IV-D Related Remittance Notices

Each remittance notice for Title IV-D reimbursement from DCS AO (Accounting Operations) will have wording that will indicate where the money should be directed.

1) Incentive: If it states **Incentive** on the remittance notice, then it should be directed to the Prosecutor IV-D Incentive Fund, Clerk IV-D Incentive Fund and Title IV-D Incentive Fund (formerly County General). There will be a breakdown as to how much money should go to each fund. If for any reason the amount is zero for a specific fund (example: Clerk Incentive Fund), then no money should be directed to that fund at the current time.

Incentive money is Federal money passed out to the counties to help the counties to either improve the efficiency or effectiveness of their Title IV-D program. Incentive money can only be spent on eligible, allowable, reasonable Title IV-D expenditures.

2) ARRA: If it states **ARRA** on the remittance notice, then it should be directed to either the Prosecutor IV-D ARRA Fund, the Clerk IV-D ARRA Fund or the Title IV-D ARRA Fund, depending on which office spent its incentive money and submitted a claim. ARRA money is reimbursement (or "matching") of incentive money spent during the eligibility period of 10/01/2008-09/30/2010. This eligibility period was authorized by the federal stimulus bill, officially known as the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, hence the acronym "ARRA." Eligible incentive claims would be submitted to DCS AO for reimbursement. Per Federal regulations, DCS can reimburse only the last eight quarters. This would be a rolling reimbursement schedule.

Federal regulators mandated that this reimbursement or match money be kept in a completely separate Fund, therefore reimbursement for incentive money must be tracked separately by both DCS and the counties. Money in the ARRA funds has the same characteristics as incentive money in that it can only be spent on eligible, allowable, reasonable Title IV-D expenditures that improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the Title IV-D program.

3) "100% Allocation:" If it states **100% Allocation money** on the remittance notice, then it should be directed to the regular County General Fund. 100% money would only apply to the Prosecutor monthly expenditure claims.

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4) Regular FFP Reimbursement: If it states **Regular FFP (Federal Financial Participation) Reimbursement**, then it should be directed to the regular County General Fund. This would be reimbursement for monthly Title IV-D reimbursement claims for the Prosecutors (above the 100% amount), the Clerks and the Title IV-D Courts.

Please note that if, per the County office submitting the monthly reimbursement claim, any money should be directed to any other fund (Clerk Perpetuation Fund, Prosecutor Deferral Fund, Prosecutor Diversion Fund, Commissioner's Fund), then the amount and fund will be entered as a footnote on the Regular FFP Reimbursement remittance notices and/or the 100% Allocation money notices.

Also, the designations (C) and (F) on the 100% Allocation and Regular FFP Reimbursement remittance notices are internal codes for DCS AO staff.

5) Indirect Cost Reimbursement: If it states "For Indirect Costs, " then it should be directed to the regular County General Fund. This is reimbursement based on the county's approved Cost Allocation Plan that covers Title IV-D expenditures that can't be recovered directly.